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SUBJ: COUNTERVAILING DUTIES: CUT FLOWERS

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PASS TREASURY FOR SUCHMAN

- 1. RECEIVED TODAY SPANISH TEXT OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE IMPLEM-ENTING SCHEME TO REMOVE COUNTERVAILABLE PORTION OF EXPORT PROMOTION SCHEME CURRENTLY BENEFITING CUT FLOWER EXPORTERS. PARA 3 OF THIS TELEGRAM REPRESENTS EMB TRANSLATION OF PRESI-DENTIAL DECREE.
- 2. WE WILL POUCH ORIGINAL SPANISH TEXT. UNDERSTAND LOW PERSONALLY WILL TRANSMIT SPANISH TEXT TO SUCHMAN. LOW PROMISED TO ALSO SEND US FINAL VERSION OF CONTRACT BETWEEN IDEMA AND PRODUCERS.
- 3. EMB TRANSLATION: PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC DECREE NUMBER 1418 OF 17 JULY 1974 UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPPLEMENTING DECREE 1996 OF 1973 AND ESTABLISHING OTHER

DISPOSITIONS DESCRIBED BY DECREES 2420 AND 2976 OF 1968. THE PRESIDENT OF THE PUBLIC OF COLOMBIA IN EXERCISING HIS CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS

DECREES:

ARTICLE ONE: IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHAT WAS ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE 44 OF DECREE NUMBER 2420 OF 1968, PARAGRAPH C, THE INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK MARKETING, IDEMA, WILL ASSUME THE EXPORTATION OF FLOWERS PRODUCED IN COLOMBIA TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 3 OF DECREE 1996 OF 1973. THIS FUNCTION WILL BE CARRIED OUT BY IDEMA, AS LONG AS THE FLOWER EXPORTERS RECEIVE BENEFIT OF THE CAT UNDER THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS IN FORCE.

ARTICLE TWO: IN THE CONTRACTS THAT IDEMA MAKES WITH THE INTERMEDIARIES, THAT DO THE EXPORTING IN IDEMA'S NAME, IT WILL BE STIPULATED THAT A PART OF THE CAT EQUIVALENT TO 2.8 PERCENT OF THE REINTEGRATION OF THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE COMING FROM THE RESPECTIVE EXPORTATION, WILL BE GIVEN TO THE FLOWER PRODUCERS.

ARTICLE THREE: THE RESOURCES RECEIVED BY IDEMA AS A RESULT OF THE FLOWER EXPORTS REFERRED TO IN THIS DECREE, WILL BE DESTINED TO FULFILL THE OBJECTIVES ASSIGNED TO IDEMA IN LAW 5A OF 1944 AND IN THE DECREES 40 OF 1958 AND 2420 OF 1968.

ARTICLE FOUR: THIS DECREE WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ITS PROM-ULGATION.

DONE IN BOGOTA ON JULY 17, 1974

MISAEL PASTRANA BORRERO

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